Dear CHCA Parents and Students:

The English Department will be requiring summer reading by students in order to foster growth in vocabulary development and complex reading skills and to ready students for class work related to the readings upon their return to school. Students should be aware that the assigned reading will form the basis for a test and/or writing assignment during the first week of school. Students may keep a reader’s journal to refresh their memories of the piece although that may not be used during a test. Please note that the students’ summer reading assignment depends on the particular English class they are taking. Students in 7th and 8th grade need to see the additional posted documents for information. Advanced Placement English Language and Composition and all senior English classes require written work over the summer to accompany the reading. See the additional posted documents for this information.

All students in 9-12, please be aware that there will also be an early first quarter grade when you are required to produce a Cincinnati Hamilton County Public Library card. Apply online or at any branch.

Parents,
We want you to know that these books have all been thoughtfully chosen and reviewed in order to both challenge students and to provide a foundation to start the next academic year. Thank you for supporting your student(s) in locating the literature and encouraging them to complete the reading. These books are available in libraries as well as bookstores, some in second-hand bookstores. Should you have any questions about the list, contact Ms Michelle Barron, English Department Chair, by email Michelle.Barron@chca-oh.org before June 15th or after August 15th.

In His Service,

Upper School English Department 7-12

Summer reading for students entering 7th grade English:
- *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- Additional books determined by student choice. Please see the 7th grade summer reading document for more information.

Summer reading for students entering 7th grade Intensive English:
- *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- *The Hiding Place* by Corrie ten Boom
- Additional books determined by student choice. Please see the 7th grade summer reading document for more information.

Summer reading for all students entering 8th grade English:
- *Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptations)* by Laura Hillenbrand
- Additional books determined by student choice. Please see the 8th grade summer reading document for more information.
Summer reading for students entering 8th grade Intensive English:
  - *Left for Dead* by Pete Nelson
  - Additional books determined by student choice. Please see the 8th grade summer reading document for more information.

Summer reading for students entering 9th grade English:
  - *The Cellist of Sarajevo* by Steven Galloway

Summer reading for students entering 9th grade VT English:
  - *The Once and Future King* by T.H. White
    (This is a long text, and students should plan enough time to read it.)

Summer reading for students entering 10th grade English:
  - *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

Summer reading for students entering 10th grade VT English:
  - *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley

Summer reading for students entering 11th grade English:
  - *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline
  - *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway

Summer reading for students entering 11th grade Honors English:
  - *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline
  - *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck

Summer reading for students entering Advanced Placement English 11:
  - *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
  - *Walden* by Henry David Thoreau
  - Students need to check the AP English 11 document for their writing assignment.

Summer reading for students entering 12th grade English:
  - *Nectar in a Sieve* by Kamala Markandaya
  - *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
  - College application essay due in August—see June 4 email from college counselors sent to both you and your parents.

Summer reading for students entering 12th grade Honors English:
  - *Silence* by Shusaku Endo
  - *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
  - College application essay due in August—see June 4 email from college counselors sent to both you and your parents.

Summer reading for students entering Advanced Placement English 12:
  - *Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro
  - *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
  - College application essay due in August—see June 4 email from college counselors sent to both you and your parents.